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PATENT

Attorney Docket No.: 021911-000600US

Client Ref. No.: OBM15

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Lewis, *et al.*

Application No.: 09/284,009

Filed: April 5, 1999

For: MONONUCLEAR PHAGOCYTES
IN THERAPEUTIC DRUG DELIVERY

Examiner: C. Qian

Art Unit: 1636

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R.. § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in reply to an Office Action mailed 21 November 2003, which set 21 February 2004 as the initial deadline for response. Accordingly, a Petition for a one month extension of time until Sunday, 21 March 2004, is enclosed herewith. This Response is thus believed to be timely filed.

Claims 87-93, 101, 104, 109-116, and 120-125 are pending and have been rejected. Reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.